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In re application of: Joseph B. Richey II)	Examiner:	Amanda R. Flynn
Serial No.:	10/605,754)	Art Unit:	3743
Filed:	October 23, 2003)	Attorney Do	ocket No.: 12873/04666
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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

In response to the Office Action mailed November 15, 2004, Applicant submits herewith a terminal disclaimer, which the Office Action indicated would remove the obviousness-type double patenting rejection. A check in the amount of \$110.00 for the terminal disclaimer fee is enclosed. Applicant therefore requests that the obviousness-type double patenting rejection be removed. As a result, the claims are believed to be allowable, and notice to that effect is respectfully requested. Applicant also submits herewith a Petition for Extension of Time of one month along with a check in the amount of \$120.00.

Applicant acknowledges the courtesies extended by the Examiner in the telephonic interview of February 1, 2005. In that interview, Mr. Szabo telephoned the examiner to inquire about the double patenting rejection of claims 1-24 in the Office Action mailed on 15 November 2004. Mr. Szabo pointed out that the double patenting rejection (paragraph 4 of the action) appears to be incorrectly formatted as regards what is included in the claims of Patent Number 6,805,122. The examiner agreed that the double patenting rejection appeared to be formulated

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incorrectly. Mr. Szabo questioned if a timely filed terminal disclaimer could overcome the double patenting rejection based on '122, and the examiner indicated that it could.

It is believed that there is no additional fee associated with the filing and consideration of this amendment. Should the Commissioner decide that any fee or fee deficiency is due, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any and all fees incurred as a result of entering this amendment and response to deposit account number 03-0172.

In view of the foregoing, Applicant submits that this application is in condition for allowance, and notice to that effect is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: March 9, WT

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